



## SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

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### PARISH PASTORAL TEAM:

Fr Tom Brophy, Fr John Monaghan,  
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Fr. Frank Monaghan P.E.

Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.00 am, 10.00 am, 5.00 pm and Irymple 8.30 am  
Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 11.00 am or by appointment

## TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME –OCT 7<sup>TH</sup> , 2007 YEAR C

THIS WEEK: TWENTY- SEVENTH  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading [Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4](#)

Psalm [Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8](#)

[If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.](#)

Second Reading [2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14](#)

Gospel [Lk 17:5-10](#)



NEXT WEEK: TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

First Reading [2 Kgs 5:14-17](#)

Psalm [Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2](#)

[The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.](#)

Second Reading [2 Tm 2:8-13](#)

Gospel [Lk 17:11-19](#)

### Recent Deaths

Frank Ryan (Wendouree, br-in-law of SA. Pat Ryan), and Joseph Balough,

### Anniversaries

Sat 6pm.

Nidale Leon

Sun 5pm.

Antonio Callapari

Tues 7pm.

Joseph Alvino

### Note to Families requesting special Masses:

Please let celebrant know you are present before Mass.

### Weekly Prayer Opportunities

Monday Prayer Group: 2-4 p.m.

Rosary: Monday 6.00 p.m.

Prayer of the Church: Tues/Wed/Fri. 8.40 a.m.

Meditation: Thursday 7 a.m. Church prayer room

Charismatic Prayer Group: Tues. 7.30 p.m.

Scripture Readings: Thur 2/177 12<sup>th</sup> Street 10.30 a.m

Devotional Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3.00 p.m.

### Weekday Mass Times

*If there is a Funeral Mass the advertised Mass  
Will be cancelled*

Tue: 7.00 p.m.  
Wed: 9.10 a.m.  
Thu: 9.30 a.m.  
Fri: 5.40 p.m.  
Sat: 10.00 a.m.

### We pray for the sick

Dulcie Boag( Adelaide friend of the Chalkley Family)  
Fr. Luke Newington, Mons. Henry Nolan.

### BAPTISM

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm. Lachlan Holy

As we welcome children into our Parish Community to receive the sacrament of Baptism, the love and support offered by family and friends who have joined them, highlights the significance of the celebration.

We encourage you to actively join in the rites and responses of Mass and Baptism. Please also consider the appropriate sense of time and place when taking photographs, so that this doesn't detract from the sacrament. Our priests are happy to join families for photos following Baptism.

### Youth Mass

Last Sunday we celebrated another Youth Mass. The youth of our Tongan community organised the music and participated in the Mass in a number of ways. Many thanks to all those who were involved in organising the Mass and making it another joyous celebration.

A big thank you also to the Knights of the Southern Cross who very generously barbequed sausages for all, after Mass. It is great to gather after Mass with others for a chat in our lovely church gardens. The Knights of the Southern Cross are incredibly supportive of youth in our Parish and we thank them for their time and effort and all that they do.

**'Who Is My Neighbour? 'Australia's Role as a Global Citizen'**

The Statement focuses on five challenges that confront Australians as global citizens:

- increasing foreign aid and development assistance
- ensuring military alliances and interventions are underpinned by independent judgment
- supporting the UN and international financial institutions, but criticising them when necessary
- being a world leader in developing policies to address climate change
- making border protection and refugee policy humane and responsible.

Please take a copy of the Bishops' Statement, and read it so that you may suggest ideas at the next meeting for the Parish to do something positive in helping our neighbours. The Bishops' Statement speaks of "Parish twinning". There are surely many Parishes in East Timor, Indonesia or Fr. Sliver's diocese in the Philippines which would welcome contact with us.

Please contact Fr. Frank 50234867, Brian Bleaser 50211828, Sr. Denise 50220440 to discuss any ideas.

The Statement can be found at:  
[www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or  
[www.acbc.catholic.org.au](http://www.acbc.catholic.org.au)

**What's On This Week**

- Tues 9<sup>th</sup>** Catholic Woman's Social Group Meeting 2.00pm. *NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE:* St Joseph's Hall Kitchen
- Wed 10<sup>th</sup>** Social Justice Committee meeting 6.30pm in Fleming Room.
- Sat 13<sup>th</sup>** Children's Liturgy will resume.
- Sun 14<sup>th</sup>** **PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP**  
The next gathering of the Passionist Family Group will be held on Sunday. We will be meeting at the Coomie Club for a Sunday Roast at 6.30pm. *Please note the change from our original list.* Anyone who would like to join in is most welcome to come along Please phone Jean on 50237561 or Denise on 50211918 for more information.

**What's Coming Up**

- Mon 15<sup>th</sup>** WYD Meeting- Journey of the Cross Fleming Room 7.30pm.
- Tues 16<sup>th</sup>** Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm. Hillman Room

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup>** Bereavement Team Meeting 2.00pm.

**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> First Reconciliation**  
**\*\* PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATES \*\***

Sacred Heart Parish is offering the Sacrament of First Reconciliation in November. **It is important to note that Reconciliation is compulsory for children who wish to be First Eucharist candidates in 2008.**

In order for a child to celebrate their First Reconciliation this year it is essential that one parent attend one of the **Parent Preparation Meetings at Sacred Heart Church on Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Oct at 7:15 pm or Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Oct at 7:15 pm.**

*(Be alert to parking on Thursday because of Bingo)*

We urge all who were Confirmed this year to take part in this programme and avail themselves of this opportunity.

Commitment Weekend is the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of October.

Sacramental Celebrations will take place on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of November.

**OTHER NOTICES**

**World Mission Month 2007**

In this World Mission Month of October, Catholic Mission is celebrating the great work that so many are doing around the world to continue Jesus' mission of bringing about life in all its fullness for all people. With the Oceania World Youth Day in Sydney next year, the Australian Church's attention is strongly focused on the future of the world. Catholic Mission is shining the spotlight this year primarily on how young people involved in Jesus' mission are making a world of difference. We're asking everyone to support them, for the future of humanity. We're presenting stories of young people in Sudan, Sri Lanka and here in Australia who are working for a better tomorrow, making a world of difference by proclaiming the Gospel with their daily lives in the streets and in schools, in urban and rural areas.

In this celebration we also commit ourselves to building an even better future, particularly a better future with regards to caring for creation and caring for our neighbour.

**Last Week's Collection**

<b>Priests' Support</b>	<b>\$ 1359.00</b>
<b>Parish Support</b>	
Direct Debit and Credit Cards:	\$ 577.53
Envelopes	\$ 2326.05
Loose Plate	\$ 596.95
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$3500.53</b>

# THE MOVIE

## AMAZING GRACE

*Amazing Grace*, based on the life of antislavery pioneer William Wilberforce played by Ioan Gruffudd, who as a Member of Parliament, navigated the world of 18th Century backroom politics to end the slave trade in the British Empire. Albert Finney plays John Newton, a confidante of Wilberforce who inspires him to pursue a life of service to humanity. Benedict Cumberbatch is William Pitt the Younger, England's youngest ever Prime Minister at the age of 24, who encourages his friend Wilberforce to take up the fight to outlaw slavery and supports him in his struggles in Parliament.

Elected to the House of Commons at the age of 21, and on his way to a successful political career, Wilberforce, over the course of two decades, took on the English establishment and persuaded those in power to end the inhumane trade of slavery.

**This is being screened on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Oct at 7.00pm.**

**Cost \$15.00 a ticket includes supper afterwards at the Grand Hotel.**

For tickets Ph: Julianne 0418 602 265

## Federal Elections

'When elections come we have a chance to imagine an Australia where our resources benefit all our citizens.' We can dream of the part that Australia can have in shaping a more just and compassionate world. At election time we have the choice of switching off and switching on. If we become involved in the conversation about which party will best govern Australia, we can help shape the Australia of our dreams therefore it's a good time to ask what sort of country we want to live in.

What is the 'Australia of our dreams'?

The sixth key issue

## Environment

Despite recent life-giving rains, Australia remains in the grip of drought. We stand in solidarity with those suffering the effects of the drought and, in our churches around the nation, we will continue to pray for regular, sustaining rain. More than ever we need cooperation at all levels of government to implement policies which will safe-guard our water resources and distribute them in the fairest possible way. Support for drought-stricken communities must also be a priority, both in practical help and in providing professional support and counselling for those who need it. Catholic social service agencies are involved in this work and we know how much it is needed from our own contact with the people in the drought-affected communities we serve.

Australia's future prosperity is closely linked with how well we care for our environment. The effects of global warming, land degradation, poor land use practices and exploitation of the natural environment all require urgent and ongoing attention.

## WYD08

With the Cross and Icon will be arriving in only 2 weeks.

The planning and organization is going along well thanks to the time and effort of those involved to make this day a memorable one for all.

## PLEASE NOTE :

If you would like to be involved in carrying the Cross and Icon on the 20<sup>th</sup> Oct from the Mildura Wharf to Sacred Heart Church between 5 – 7 pm. please enter your name and details on the sheets found in each of the foyers.

- You must be over 16 years of age.

## PLAN GIVING

The Plan Giving envelopes will be on display for collection next weekend as the new quarter begins 22<sup>nd</sup> October .

Many of you will find they have new numbers as we try to keep numbers in a sequence, hence avoiding left over envelopes.

## BOOK RELEASE

A small niche publisher from Bacchus Marsh outside Melbourne, has a hit on its hands, with the expected release next week of Cardinal George Pell's *God and Caesar: Selected Essays on Religion, Politics, and Society*.

It is edited by sociologist Michael Casey, who is Cardinal Pell's private secretary.

[www.connorcourt.com](http://www.connorcourt.com)

**Gospel –Next Sunday** 14th October.

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, ' Jesus! Master! Take pity on us'. When he saw them he said. 'Go and show yourselves to the priests'. Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, ' Were not all ten made clean?'

The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner'. And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you'.

-Luke 17:11-19

- Have you ever had the experience of being an 'outcast' through no fault of your own?
- What reason do you have to give thanks to God?

■ **Reflection**

- The world is like an uneven load. On one side, many people and little food. On the other side, lots of food and few people. An uneven load is dangerous. It is apt to tip over at any moment."

from [National Catholic Rural Life Conference](#)

“A table is where families gather for food, but some have little food or no table at all. A table is where leaders gather in government and international negotiations and other forums to make decisions on trade and aid, subsidies and access. But some have no real voice at these tables. For Catholics, the table is the altar at which we gather for Eucharist to transform 'the fruit of the vine and work of human hands' into the Body and Blood of Christ. It is also the table from which we are sent forth to secure 'a place at the table' for all."

- [For I was Hungry & You Gave Me Food: Catholic Reflections on Food, Farmers, and Farmworkers. US Conference of Catholic Bishops](#)

the Spirit is drawing us in each moment, and responding generously. Of course that is much easier said than done – especially if we are running around trying to save the world single handedly before lunchtime – and it may mean very different balances of activities for each of us.

Editor Catholic Resources: Sandie Cornish

**This Week we Thank**

**Robert Hogan & family for donating several white bath towels and Gwen Hill for donating several white hand towels for our Baptism ceremonies.**

THIS WEEKEND	6.00 p.m.	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	5.00 p.m.
<b>Readers</b>	Sr. Pat	Sr. Rosemary	P Maloney	B Chaplin
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	GK Girke S Girke L Roden J DeJong H DeJong M Capogreco L Gooch	S Visona E Panetta D Pemberton L Welsh M Gobbo E Frauenfelder	A Chalkley P Kerr B Bunting C Maugeri C McErvale L Rowe N Leonardis	W Finn T Finn P Cox M Ransome F Virgona E Antony
<b>Music</b>	N Armsden Filipino Choir		Italian Choir	M Guthrie
<b>Counting Team</b>	Team 10 Captain Brian Grogan 50212099			
<b>NEXT WEEK</b>	Team 1 Gerry Lavery 50211918			

**Editorial- Balancing work, life, faith & family**

Is it just me, or does the year really speed up at the end? Perhaps it is just the quickening growth in the garden, and more people out and about enjoying public spaces as the weather warms up. Or maybe it is the steady accumulation of tasks I've persistently rescheduled for 'later in the year' beginning to turn critical?

It seems that everyone I meet feels busier, and more pressured than they used to.

I notice that when I take the time for things that matter, I seem to have more time, or at least to feel better about how I'm spending my time. It is about setting priorities, and letting go of things, about valuing being over doing or having.

Cardinal Francis Xavier van Thuan, used to speak of choosing God, rather than God's works. The only 'work' that God requires of us is that we live attentively, noticing where